

FISCAL NOTE

HB 875 - SB 1279

March 3, 2003

SUMMARY OF BILL: Makes the following changes to the law regarding the adoption of children:

- In actions to readopt a child who was previously adopted in a foreign country, the petitioners would not have to disclose the fees incurred in the foreign adoption or make an inquiry to the punitive father registry in order to proceed with the readoption;
- Changes the time regarding the requirement to check the punitive father registry from 3 days prior to filing of the adoption to 10 days prior to the adoption;
- Adds expenses for food as allowable expenses that can be paid on behalf of a birth mother and child incident to an adoption.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

MINIMAL

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



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